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BIS Mark for Steel Products
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to notify several steel products having direct bearing on human health and critical to housing, construction and infrastructure under the mandatory certification Marks scheme of BIS which inter alia warrants that all the notified products must conform to the relevant Indian standards, if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether BIS has granted licenses on various notified steel products in the country;
(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the mechanism available/adopted by the Government to ensure that all steel manufacturers in the country register themselves with BIS?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) Ministry of Steel has already notified 34 steel products under the Mandatory Certification Marks Scheme of BIS under the BIS Act 1986. Of these, 16 carbon steel products were notified vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 414(E) & S.O. 415(E) dated 12/3/2012. The order has already been implemented on 15 carbon steel products. Further, another Steel Quality Control Order covering 15 more products have been notified vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 3458(E) dated 18/12/2015. The order has already been enforced on some of the products with effect from 18/3/2016 and on the remaining products, the order will be enforced with effect from 18/9/2016. Subsequently, another Steel Quality Control Order has been issued covering 3 stainless steel products vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 2061(E) dated 10th June, 2016.

(b)&(c): According to information available from BIS, they have granted 2772 licenses to manufacturers of Steel and Steel Products for the use of BIS Standard Mark against 83 Indian Standards.

(d) The Steel Quality Control Order inter-alia mandates that all the producers of notified steel products must obtain licenses from BIS within a stipulated period so as to entitle them to use the Standard Marks of BIS on their products. The orders equally apply to domestic production as well as imports.

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